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MEMORANDUM FOR: See Distribution

FROM : []
Chief, Legislation Division, OLC

SUBJECT : Sunset Legislation, S. 2, H.R. 2 and H.R. 65

REFERENCE : OLC 79-0917

1. On 9 March 1979 this office forwarded copies of S. 2 and H.R. 2 requesting comments by COB, 30 March 1979. We also noted in reference memorandum that the bills could begin moving at anytime. This is in fact the case.

2. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has requested our views ASAP on H.R. 2 and H.R. 65 (the latter attached). The House Rules Committee is hoping to clear the bills by mid-April. Accordingly, OMB has indicated that individual departments or agencies must get their comments submitted so that the Administration -- which in theory supports the Sunset concept -- can speak to specific changes in the legislation to cover individual Executive Branch agency problems. In order for us to effectively respond to OMB we would request that the 30 March deadline be changed to COB, Monday, 26 March 1979.

3. Please be sure to include H.R. 65 in your review. A quick review of the bill by this office reveals that Sections 101, 102 and 201 are particularly troublesome in that they would require disclosure of intelligence information re the Agency's most sensitive programs.

4. We regret the inconvenience caused by the new deadline but would hope that you could give us the benefit of your analysis by the date indicated above. Please send your comments to [] of my staff.

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